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MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT AND AGENDA

Announcement Date: October 24th, 2008

FULL BOARD:

EXECUTIVE SESSIONLocation: Resources Auditorium

November 3, 2008
Time: 4:00 p.m.

1416 Ninth Street
Sacramento, California

REGULAR SESSION Location: Resources Auditorium

November 4, 2008
Time: 8:00 a.m.

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COMMITTEES:

FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE Location: Resources Auditorium

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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Location: Resources Bldg.

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POLICY COMMITTEE Location: Resources Auditorium

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 15th floor, Room 1506-12

 Time: 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
 Sacramento, California

Those requiring further information regarding this meeting notice may contact George D. Gentry, Executive Officer, State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, P.O. Box 944246, Sacramento, CA, 94244-2460, (916) 653-8007. This meeting notice is also available in electronic format at: http://www.fire.ca.gov/bof/board/board current docs.html

The Board may take any non-hearing agenda item out of order as time permits and may discuss agenda items scheduled for committees, including legislation. The Board may act on recommendations by its committees on items listed in their respective agendas, including recommendations for notice of rulemaking. If you wish to speak on a specific agenda item, please fill out a card provided for this purpose at the sign-in table and hand it to a member of staff prior to the meeting. Those wishing to speak on particular agenda items may do so when they are heard by the Board. The Board reserves the right to solicit additional public comment if the need arises for a particular agenda item.

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BOARD AGENDA

EXECUTIVE SESSION November 3, 2008

Time: 4:00 p.m.

Resources Auditorium Location:

1416 Ninth Street Sacramento, California

1. Call to Order

2. Adjourn to Executive Session

Executive Session: (Closed to the Public) Discussion of Matters Related to Foresters Licensing such as Certifications; Voluntary Relinquishments; and/or Revocations of RPF Licenses/CRM Certifications Under Section 11126 (c)(1), (c)(2), (c)(3) of the Government Code; Employee Evaluation Under 11126 (a)(1); also Discussion of Pending and Potential Litigation Under Section 11126 (e) of the Government Code. (The Executive Session may be reconvened if determined necessary.) Environmental Protection Information Center and Sierra Club v. California Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, and Does 1-30, San Francisco County Superior Court; Board of Forestry and Fire Protection v. Edgar R. Orre, RPF No. 2292, Disciplinary Case 308, OAH Case No. 2008030955.

REGULAR SESSION November 4, 2008 Time: 8:00 a.m.

Location: **Resources Auditorium**

1416 Ninth Street Sacramento, California

- 3. Reconvene Regular Session
- 4. Announcement of Actions taken in Executive Session
- 5. Approval of Minutes from October, 2008.
- 6. Report of the Chairman.
- 7. Report of the Director/Department.
- 8. Presentation of a Resolution Honoring Dr. Norman H. Pillsbury for 34 Years as Forester, Educator, and Mentor at California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo.
- 9. Report of Board's Advisory Committees
 - California Oak Mortality Task Force (COMTF)- Mark Stanley

- Range Management Advisory Committee- Jeff Stephens
- Monitoring Study Group Pete Cafferata
- Professional Foresters Examining Committee- Eric Huff

Note: The Executive Officer for Professional Foresters Registration will report on ongoing PFEC matters. **Possible Action Items**: Issuance of RPF Licenses/CRM Certifications, Withdrawals, Reinstatements, Voluntary Relinquishments, Suspensions, Revocations, or other Actions.

- 10. Review of the Boggs Mountain Demonstration State Forest Management Plan Update, Mitigated Negative Declaration/Initial Study/CEQA Checklist and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program. Possible Action Item: The Board may approve the Mitigated Negative Declaration, approve the Updated Management Plan, and provide additional direction to the Department.
- 11. Discussion and Review of the Board's and Fish and Game Commission's Joint Policy for Anadromous Salmonids. **Possible Action Item:** Board may give direction to staff on the Joint Policy.
- 12. Placer County Initiative Supporting Forest Fuels Treatment and Bioenergy Development. Brett Storey, Tom Christofk, Placer County.
- 13. Presentation by the Pacific Forest and Watershed Lands Stewardship Council (Land conservation and conveyance plan). Jayne Battey, Executive Director and Chantz Joyce, Regional Land Conservation Manager.
- 14. Report of Forest Practice, Policy, Management, and Resource Protection Committees.

Note: Committee Chairpersons will report on the outcomes of Committee meetings. The Board may act in response to Committee recommendations. **Possible Action Items:** Recommendations to Board (See Committee Agendas which are incorporated as though fully set forth herein.)

15. Report of the Regulations Coordinator.

Note: The Board's Regulations Coordinator will report on ongoing regulatory matters. The Board may act in response to requests of the Regulations Coordinator on items presented in the report. **Possible Action Items**: Recommendations to Board for Regulatory Actions.

16. Report of Executive Officer.

Note: The Board's Executive Officer will report on ongoing administrative matters, proposed state or federal legislation or programs, or new items coming before the Board. The Board may act in response to requests of the Executive Officer on items presented in the report.

17. Public Forum

Note: Members of the public may address the Board on any topic within its jurisdiction not otherwise on the agenda. Submittal of written comments is encouraged to ensure that all comments will be included in the record before the Board. Please be prepared to summarize comments to three minutes in length, or otherwise at the discretion of the chairman. **Submit your request to address the Board under this item via supplied speaker cards prior to the item being called**.

- 18. New and Unfinished business
- 19. Adjournment

COMMITTEE AGENDAS

Location:

Resources Auditorium

FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE

November 3, 2008 1416 Ninth Street **Time**: 8:00 a.m. – noon Sacramento, California

- 1. Discussion on Technical Expert Forum and discussion of process for integrating literature review science information into T/I regulatory review.
- 2. Threatened or impaired watershed regulations review (T/I rules). Review of Group 2 (Geographic Scope) and Group 4 (Water Drafting and Roads) rule sections; Review responses to Key Question #s 52- 57 and 112 -130.

FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE

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- 3. Threatened or impaired watershed regulations review (T/I rules). Review of Group 1 (Goal/Intent Definitions) and Group 4 (Logging Operations) rule sections; Review draft regulatory "strawman". Review Key questions # 1 -51 and # 73 - 111.
- 4. Presentation and discussion of Board Counsel's legal opinion regarding the question of restoration.
- 5. Staff recommendation for expiration of "Performance Slash Rules" 14 CCR 957 and 957.11 through 957.12

Note: The Forest Practice Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Location: Resources Blda. 15th floor, Room 1506-12 November 3, 2008 **Time**: 8:00 a.m. – Noon Sacramento, California

- 1. Continuing review of the statute and regulations for Sustained Yield Plans (SYP).
- 2. Discussion of a Modified Timber Harvest Plan (MTHP) Regulatory Proposal for Streamlined Permitting of Landscape Fuel Hazard Reduction.
- 3. Review and Possible Committee Recommendation for full Board Approval of the Boggs Mountain Demonstration State Forest Management Plan Update, Mitigated Negative Declaration/Initial Study/CEQA Checklist and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program.
- 4. Review of Jackson Advisory Group Progress Report and Possible Committee Recommendation for full Board Approval of the Group's Proposed Work Plan.
- 5. New and Unfinished Business: Draft PTEIR Guidance Document review

Note: The Management Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

POLICY COMMITTEE

November 3, 2008 Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location: Resources Auditorium

1416 Ninth StreetSacramento. California

1. Discussion/update of the Joint Policy for Anadromous Salmonids. **Possible Action Item:** Recommendations to full Board on adoption.

- 2. Update on the AB 32 Scoping Plan. **Possible Action Item**: Recommendation to full Board on additional input.
- 3. Hearing: The Policy Committee will hear a report by the Department, take public comment and discuss:
 - 1. Areas where questions exist on interpretation of the regulatory standards, including potential solutions.
 - 2. Issues encountered in achieving compliance with the regulatory standard of rules, including potential solutions.
 - 3. Suggested regulatory modifications which would either 1) clarify existing rule language to better achieve the intended resource protection, or 2) which would reduce regulatory inefficiencies and maintain the same or better level of protection.
- 4. New and Unfinished Business: NSO regulations, Review of potential rules development; Monitoring and Tracking Committee.

Note: The Policy Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

November 3, 2008 Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location: Resources Bldg.

15th floor, Room 1506-12 Sacramento, California

- 1. California Fire Plan update.
- 2. Update on VTP EIR.
- 3. Review and discussion of a Special Review SRA change (Ladera Ranch, Orange Co.). **Possible Action Item:** Recommendation to the full Board on changing designation from SRA to LRA
- 4. Discussion and potential edits of Range Management Advisory Committee's revised white paper entitled, "State Owned Lands: A Discussion of their Acquisition and Recommendations for Sustaining Natural Resource Values."
- 5. Review and discussion of the Resource Protection Work Calendar (Fire Emphasis).
- 6. New and Unfinished Business. Update on implementation of SB 1595 and exemption pursuant to 1038 (c): "Fire Safe" exemptions.

Note: The Resource Protection Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

Forest Practice Rule Review ANNOUNCEMENT

POLICY COMMITTEE

November 3, 2008

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location: Resources Auditorium
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Sacramento, California

The Board has the responsibility to maintain a comprehensive and effective system of regulation for all timberlands subject to the Z'Berg-Nejedly Forest Practice Act (PRC § 741 and §§ 4511-13). To assure the efficacy of Forest Practice Rules, the Board must have the most current information possible on the implementation and effectiveness of rules adopted in accordance with the Act (PRC §§ 4551-4555). Currently, the Board must adopt regulations no later than mid October to enable implementation on January 1st of the year following adoption (PRC § 4554.5 and Gov. Code §11340 *et.seq.*). Given this statutory framework, it is necessary for the Board to receive timely feedback regarding rule implementation and effectiveness to meet its responsibility to the public and protect the state's interests.

To assure the timely dissemination and effective implementation of rule language, as well as to assist and improve subsequent rulemaking efforts, at the regularly scheduled November meeting of the Board, the Board's Policy Committee is requesting public comment, and a presentation by the Department, addressing the following:

- 1. Areas where questions exist on interpretation of the regulatory standards, including potential solutions.
- 2. Issues encountered in achieving compliance with the regulatory standard of rules, including potential solutions.
- 3. Suggested regulatory modifications which would either 1) clarify existing rule language to better achieve the intended resource protection, or 2) which would reduce regulatory inefficiencies and maintain the same or better level of protection.

Written comments shall be submitted to the following address:
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Written comments may also be sent to the Board via facsimile at (916) 653-0989, or delivered via e-mail at the following address: board.public.comments@fire.ca.gov

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